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CONGRESS is again discussing the postal law, and especially contemplates changes in regard to periodicals. One scheme proposes to exclude them, as well as books, altogether from the mails, which is absurd; another looks to the obligatory prepayment of all mail matter. In case the latter provision be adopted, due regard to the interests of honest publishers demand that prepayment should be by weight in bulk. This is very just to the government, saves clerical work, is an absolute test, and we can see no objections against it. To prepay individually would cost both the government and such publishers as those of the *Ledger*, *Weekly*, *Harper's*, and *Scribner's* immense expenditures for red tape, and would then be unsatisfactory.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

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## Trade Information.

MILWAUKIE, March 30, 1874.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly:

DEAR SIR: Your Steubenville correspondents of March 13 are on the right track when they suggest the importance of publishers and the trade



generally concentrating all information they may wish to promulgate into one channel.

The present system compels any bookseller who has the desire to be reasonably posted about books, to take several different vehicles of information. A serious loss of time and expense which could be avoided by the simple effort of all contributing to some one "Trade" Journal.

Yours truly,

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### The Trade Sales.—A reply to Mr. Leavitt.

TOLEDO, O., Apr. 3d, 1874.

To the Editor of the Publishers' Weekly.

THE letter from Messrs. Geo. A. Leavitt & Co. intended to be a reply to the declaration of the Cincinnati Convention in regard to "Trade Sales" deserves notice mainly, because by raising a question foreign to the issue, it seeks to divert attention from the real point in controversy—if indeed it be worthy of so energetic a name. The question as to the advantage or harm of the Trade Sale system does not at all depend upon the amount of goods they directly send to the "far West" as the writer of that communication would assume, hence the showing of the sale of \$1300 only to the Western cities mentioned, can be of very little service in the investigation. Is this the best that can be said for the Trade Sales, when the question of their utility is before the book selling fraternity?

The evils of underselling to which the system in question offers most efficient support, are felt more severely at the east where competition is sharper, and the nearness of the Trade Sale room offers more ready facilities to buyers, an advantage not possessed by the "far West." From the geographical location of the recent Convention, the larger part of those in attendance were from the west, but the mass of letters in the hands of the corresponding officers, with hardly an exception complaining of the disastrous effects upon trade, of the auctions in question, were from points east of Cincinnati.

We notice his reported sales are to the smaller towns in the west. Were there *no* buyers from points like Cleveland, Cincinnati, Detroit, Chicago? Some doubt as to the accuracy of the statements in the communication referred to is raised in our mind by the last clause wherein they say: "Looking over the list of committees appointed by the late "Convention" we observe the name of but *one* bookseller, who ever bought a book at the Trade Sales, and he to the amount of less than \$200 at last sale." Now we are personally aware that there is at least *one* firm represented in the Committees who bought over \$1100 worth of goods at their sale in Sept. 1872, and we can further assure the gentlemen that they have no temptation to repeat the experiment.

GEO. B. BROWN.

### BOOKS RECEIVED.

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HOWELLS' new novel of Italian life will be begun in the July *Atlantic*.

"How to Ruin your Health with the Sewing Machine, and How to Avoid Injury," is a title which sets forth thoroughly the scope of a little book from Turnbull Bros., Baltimore.

EDGAR ALLAN POE'S memory is to be defended from Griswold's attacks by hitherto unprinted letters, which will first see the light in the biography of the poet, now being prepared by John H. Ingram.

A reader of the advance sheets of Auerbach's new novel, "Waldfried," says that the depth of its meaning, regarded in connection with its freedom from the conventional methods of the novelist, place it in a new field of art, which suggests the one occupied by Wagner's recent music. Auerbach himself says that it is the best work he has done, or can do, and that he shall write no more.

MR. HOWARD LOCKWOOD has begun the publication of an *American Stationer*, into which he has metamorphosed the stationery department of his *Paper Trade Journal*. It is a neat and well-filled journal of sixteen pages, *Appletons' Journal* size, edited by Messrs. Chas. F. Wingate and Andrew Guyer, and it is proposed to publish semi-monthly. The first number contains an illustration—an excellent portrait of Joseph Gillott—and the new venture is altogether creditable.

REV. H. R. HAWEIS, whose "Thoughts for the Times" has passed to a sixth edition in London, and been reprinted here by Holt & Co., is to include in the first part of his second volume of sermons, "Speech in Season," discourses containing "New Readings" of the gospels to show how greatly Christ's theology has been misunderstood. Sermons about "Old Problems"—Hell, Insanity, etc.—and on "Special Vacancies" complete this volume.

A very lively book of railroad *ana*, by an experienced railroad man, Mr. Joseph Taylor, is in press at the Harpers, under the title of "A Fast Life on the Modern Highway: being a Glance into the Railroad World from a New Point of View."

MR. R. H. STODDARD is to take charge of the humorous department of *Scribner's Monthly* as the author.

MR. DION BOUCICAULT, it is said, has written a comic diary of his trip across the American continent.

AN elaborate "Dictionary of Heraldry and Heraldic Mottoes" is preparing by Robert McCoy, the Masonic publisher; it will have much curious historical matter.

A HISTORY of the Rhode Island Institute of Instruction, by Rev. E. M. Stone, shortly to be published under its approval, includes a history of Education in that State from its settlement to the establishment of the public school system in 1800, and accounts of the administrations of the successive State School Commissioners who took up the work.

THE report of the Massachusetts State Board of Health strongly endorses the views of Dr. Clarke's "Sex in Education," in the department.

STILL another life of Sumner is being written by Rev. Elias Nason, compiler of the *Massachusetts Gazetteer* which is to be published by B. B. Russell, Boston.

MR. WELFORD notes in the *Bookbuyer* items: "Bibliomania seems dying out, as a pursuit, for want of the material to gratify it, and the multiplicity of permanent libraries established every year renders the quantity of books within reach of ordinary buyers less and less. Engravings rise in the same proportion." This is a warning to collectors to make hay while what there is left of the sun still shines.

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